

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
Joseph Asher, <i>et. al.</i>)	
Application No:)	Art Unit: 3625
10/816,238)	Confirmation No.: 9139
Filed: April 1, 2004)	Examiner: Robert M. Pond
For: ELECTRONIC SILENT AUCTION)	
SYSTEM)	

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Applicants' representative, Ruth Ma, wishes to thank the Examiner for his time and courtesy for conducting a telephone interview on March 18, 2009 with regards to the Office Action that was mailed on March 5, 2009 for Application No. 10/816,238.

As part of that discussion, Applicants' representative and the Examiner agreed that an amendment to clarify the antecedent basis for independent claim 11 (which is incorporated by reference in claims 41 and 53) would overcome the 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph and § 112, second paragraph rejections in the Office Action. The Examiner indicated that a decision on allowance will be made after another prior art search.

Applicants' representative and the Examiner also discussed referential claims 41, 42, 44, 50, 51, 53, 54, 56, 62 and 63, which are currently rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. The parties agreed that for the sake of convenience, the claims shall remain in their present form. Once the application is placed in condition for allowance, the Examiner will issue an Examiner's Amendment to incorporate the referenced method steps into each of claims 42, 44, 50, 51, 53, 54, 56, 62 and 63.

Applicants' undersigned attorney can be reached at the address shown below. All communications should be directed to the undersigned at her direct line (857) 413-2056 or e-mail address: rma@cantor.com.

Respectfully submitted,

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